

**ABSTRACT**

A tether substantially prevented from snugly encircling an appendage or neck of a child aged five or under, thereby substantially preventing a danger of choking and/or loss of circulation while maintaining an accessory near the child, comprising at least one elongate  
5 relatively stiffer section and at least one relatively flexible accessory section extending from the at least one relatively stiffer section, the relatively flexible accessory section being adapted to connect to a child accessory and incapable of snugly encircling the neck or appendage in conjunction with the at least one relatively stiffer section.

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